



UNITED STATES ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY

REGION 5 77 WEST JACKSON BOULEVARD CHICAGO, IL 60604-3590

REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF: SE-5J

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December 22, 2008

Mr. Craig A. Czarnecki, Field Supervisor U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service East Lansing Ecological Services Field Office 2651 Coolidge Road, Suite 101 East Lansing, MI 48823

Re: Request for Information – Threatened/Endangered Species

Dear Mr. Czarnecki:

Pursuant to Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act, I am requesting information from the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service in support of a Superfund Time-Critical Removal Action sediment and soil removal project within the former Plainwell Dam #2 area and Kalamazoo River near Plainwell, Michigan. The following is a listing of the two sections in Allegan County for which information is needed:

• Township of Gun Plain, T1N-R11W, Section 32 and 33

Please provide any available information regarding the presence of endangered, threatened, proposed, and/or candidate species and critical habitat within these sections.

If you have any questions regarding this request, please feel free to contact me at (312) 353-8360. Thank you.

Sincerely,

Sam Borries,

On-Scene Coordinator

cc: Lisa Williams, Ph.D., USFWS

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